

# UEFA EURO 2016 MATCH PRESS KITS



**Northern Ireland**

**Windsor Park - Belfast**  
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Group C - Matchday 2



**Belarus**

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## EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS OFFICIAL SPONSORS



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## Previous meetings

### Head to Head

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
<b>EURO</b>																		
Northern Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belarus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>FIFA*</b>																		
Northern Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belarus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Friendlies</b>																		
Northern Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	3	0
Belarus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	0	3
<b>Total</b>																		
Northern Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	3	0
Belarus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	0	3

\* FIFA World Cup/FIFA Confederations Cup

# Squad list

## Northern Ireland

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
<b>Goalkeepers</b>											
-	Michael <b>McGovern</b>	12/07/1984	34	Norwich	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Conor <b>Hazard</b>	05/03/1998	21	Partick	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Bailey <b>Peacock-Farrell</b>	29/10/1996	22	Leeds	-	1	0	0	0		
<b>Defenders</b>											
-	Aaron <b>Hughes</b>	08/11/1979	39	Hearts	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Gareth <b>McAuley</b>	05/12/1979	39	Rangers	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Jonny <b>Evans</b>	03/01/1988	31	Leicester	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Craig <b>Cathcart</b>	06/02/1989	30	Watford	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Conor <b>McLaughlin</b>	26/07/1991	27	Millwall	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Paddy <b>McNair</b>	27/04/1995	23	Middlesbrough	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Tom <b>Flanagan</b>	21/10/1991	27	Sunderland	-	0	0	0	0		
<b>Midfielders</b>											
-	Steven <b>Davis</b>	01/01/1985	34	Rangers	-	1	1	0	0		
-	Josh <b>Magennis</b>	15/08/1990	28	Bolton	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Stuart <b>Dallas</b>	19/04/1991	27	Leeds	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Shane <b>Ferguson</b>	12/07/1991	27	Millwall	-	1	0	0	0		
-	George <b>Saville</b>	01/06/1993	25	Middlesbrough	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Jordan <b>Thompson</b>	03/01/1997	22	Blackpool	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Jamal <b>Lewis</b>	25/01/1998	21	Norwich	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Jordan <b>Jones</b>	24/10/1994	24	Kilmarnock	-	1	0	0	0		
<b>Forwards</b>											
-	Kyle <b>Lafferty</b>	16/09/1987	31	Rangers	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Niall <b>McGinn</b>	20/07/1987	31	Aberdeen	-	1	1	0	0		
-	Liam <b>Boyce</b>	08/04/1991	27	Burton	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Paul <b>Smyth</b>	10/09/1997	21	Accrington	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Conor <b>Washington</b>	18/05/1992	26	Sheff. United	-	0	0	0	0		
<b>Coach</b>											
-	Michael O'Neill	05/07/1969	49		-	1	0	0	0		

## Belarus

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
<b>Goalkeepers</b>											
-	Andrei Klimovich	27/08/1988	30	Shakhtyor	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Andrei Gorbunov	29/05/1983	35	Dinamo Minsk	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Anton Chichkan	10/07/1995	23	BATE	-	0	0	0	0		
<b>Defenders</b>											
-	Aleksandr Martynovich	26/08/1987	31	Krasnodar	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Mikhail Sivakov	16/01/1988	31	Orenburg	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Igor Shitov	24/10/1986	32	Dinamo Minsk	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Denis Polyakov	17/04/1991	27	Ural	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Zakhar Volkov	12/08/1997	21	BATE	-	0	0	0	0		
<b>Midfielders</b>											
-	Aleksandr Hleb	01/05/1981	37	BATE	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Sergei Kislyak	06/08/1987	31	Dinamo Brest	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Anton Putilo	23/06/1987	31	Ankaragücü	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Igor Stasevich	21/10/1985	33	BATE	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Stanislav Dragun	04/06/1988	30	BATE	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Pavel Nekhaychik	15/07/1988	30	Dinamo Brest	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Aleksei Rios	14/05/1987	31	BATE	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Ivan Maevski	05/05/1988	30	Astana	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Yuri Kendysh	10/06/1990	28	Sheriff	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Yuri Kovalev	27/01/1993	26	Shakhtyor	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Maksim Volodko	10/11/1992	26	Arsenal Tula	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Pavel Savitski	12/07/1994	24	Dinamo Brest	-	1	0	0	0		
<b>Forwards</b>											
-	Nikolai Signevich	20/02/1992	27	Ferencváros	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Anton Saroka	05/03/1992	27	Lokeren	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Denis Laptev	01/08/1991	27	Dinamo Brest	-	1	0	0	0		
<b>Coach</b>											
-	Igor Kriushenko	10/02/1964	55		-	1	0	0	0		

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## Head coach

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### Michael O'Neill

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**Date of birth:** 5 July 1969

**Nationality:** Northern Irish

**Playing career:** Coleraine, Newcastle, Dundee United, Hibernian, Coventry, Aberdeen (loan), Reading (loan), Wigan, Saint Johnstone, Portland Timbers, Clydebank, Glentoran, Ayr United

**Coaching career:** Brechin City, Shamrock Rovers, Northern Ireland

- A midfielder and forward during a 20-year playing career, O'Neill spent the bulk of his time in Scotland, most notably with Dundee United and Hibernian. Enjoyed late success when winning a Northern Irish league and League Cup double with Glentoran in 2002/03.
- Made 31 appearances for his country, scoring four goals, two of which came in a memorable 5-3 victory against Austria during EURO '96 qualifying.
- Moved into coaching as assistant manager of Scottish club Cowdenbeath in 2005 before taking the reins at Brechin in March 2006. Was named coach of Shamrock Rovers in the Republic of Ireland in December 2008, guiding the Hoops to a second-place finish in his debut season before clinching their first title since 1994 in 2010.
- Made history as Rovers became the first Irish side to qualify for the group stage of a European competition, beating Partizan in the 2011/12 UEFA Europa League play-offs. Also led the Hoops to a second successive domestic championship in 2011.
- Appointed coach of his country in December 2011 and helped Northern Ireland record several notable results in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, including a 1-1 draw in Portugal and a home win against Russia. Even better was to come as O'Neill steered his charges to UEFA EURO 2016, their first UEFA European Championship appearance, taking Northern Ireland to the last 16 at the finals in France, and agreed a new contract despite losing out to Switzerland in the 2018 World Cup play-offs.

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### Igor Kriushenko

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**Date of birth:** 10 February 1964

**Nationality:** Belarusian

**Playing career:** Dinamo Minsk, Khimik Grodno, Lida, Alga Bishkek, Aktyubinets, Metallurg Aldan, Dinamo Yakutsk, Selenga, Torpedo Mogilev

**Coaching career:** Torpedo Mogilev (assistant), BATE Borisov (reserves), BATE, Dinamo Minsk, Sibir Novosibirsk, Shurtan Guzar, Torpedo Zhodino, Belarus

- A graduate of one Minsk's youth academies, his first coach was Mikhail Mustygin – Soviet Top League top scorer with Dinamo Minsk in 1962 and 1967. A Soviet youth international, Kriushenko never made the first team at Dinamo Minsk, and spent his playing career in the lower divisions.
- After four years as a coach with BATE's reserve team, took charge of the seniors in 2005 and won league titles in 2006 and 2007 before leaving for Dinamo Minsk.
- League runner-up as Dinamo coach in 2008, he moved to Russia and led Sibir Novosibirsk to promotion in his first campaign, and then to the Russian Cup final and the UEFA Europa League play-offs in 2010.
- Won a Belarusian Cup with Torpedo Zhodino in 2016 and was named Belarus coach on 1 March 2017, initially on a temporary basis.
- Coached Torpedo and the national team in tandem to start with before stepping down from his club role to concentrate on his Belarus position, leading the side to promotion from League D in the inaugural UEFA Nations League in 2018.

## Match officials

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<b>Referee</b>	Paweł Raczkowski (POL)
<b>Assistant referees</b>	Michał Obukowicz (POL) , Radosław Siejka (POL)
<b>Fourth official</b>	Krzysztof Jakubik (POL)
<b>UEFA Delegate</b>	Jevgenijs Milevskis (LVA)
<b>UEFA Referee observer</b>	Manuel Diaz Vega (ESP)

## Referee

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Name	Date of birth	UEFA EURO matches	UEFA matches
Paweł Raczkowski	10/05/1983	0	41

## Paweł Raczkowski

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**Referee since:** 2001

**First division:** 2010

**FIFA badge:** 2013

**Tournaments:** 2015 UEFA European Under-17 Championship

### Finals

2015 UEFA European Under-17 Championship

## UEFA European Championship matches featuring the two countries involved in this match

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No such matches refereed

## Other matches involving teams from either of the two countries involved in this match

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No such matches refereed

## Match-by-match lineups

### Northern Ireland

#### Final tournament - Qualifying round

##### Group C

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>
Germany	3	3	0	0	13	2	9
Netherlands	2	1	0	1	6	3	3
<b>Belarus</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>
Estonia	3	0	0	3	1	12	0

(21/03/2019)

##### Northern Ireland 2-0 Estonia

**Goals:** 1-0 McGinn 56, 2-0 S. Davis 75 (P)

**Northern Ireland:** Peacock-Farrell, Lewis, J. Evans, Saville, McGinn (85 C. McLaughlin), S. Davis, Lafferty (76 Magennis), Dallas, Jones (81 Ferguson), McNair, Cathcart

(24/03/2019)

Northern Ireland-Belarus

(08/06/2019)

Estonia-Northern Ireland

(11/06/2019)

Belarus-Northern Ireland

(09/09/2019)

Northern Ireland-Germany

(10/10/2019)

Netherlands-Northern Ireland

(16/11/2019)

Northern Ireland-Netherlands

(19/11/2019)

Germany-Northern Ireland

### Belarus

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<b>Belarus</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>
Estonia	3	0	0	3	1	12	0

(21/03/2019)

##### Netherlands 4-0 Belarus

**Goals:** 1-0 Depay 1, 2-0 Wijnaldum 21, 3-0 Depay 55 (P) , 4-0 Van Dijk 86

**Belarus:** Gorbunov, Dragun (86 Laptev), Martynovich, Shitov, Polyakov , Kovalev (79 Savitski), Signevich (63 Saroka), Putilo, Sivakov, Maevski, Stasevich

(24/03/2019)

Northern Ireland-Belarus

(08/06/2019)

Belarus-Germany

(11/06/2019)

Belarus-Northern Ireland

(06/09/2019)

Estonia-Belarus

(10/10/2019)

Belarus-Estonia

(13/10/2019)

Belarus-Netherlands

(16/11/2019)

Germany-Belarus



## Legend

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### :: Previous meetings

Goals for/against: Goal totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (e.g. match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored during a penalty shoot-out after a tie ended in a draw

### :: Squad list

**Qual.:** Total European Qualifiers appearances/goals for UEFA EURO 2020 only.

**FT:** Total UEFA EURO 2020 appearances/goals in final tournament only.

**Overall:** Total international appearances/goals.

**DoB:** Date of birth

**Age:** Based on the date press kit was last updated

**D:** Disciplinary (\*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended)

### :: Team facts

**EURO finals:** The UEFA European Championship was a four-team event in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976 (when the preliminary round and quarter-finals were considered part of qualifying).

From 1980 it was expanded to an eight-team finals and remained in that format in 1984, 1988 and 1992 until 1996, when the 16-team format was adopted. UEFA EURO 2016 was the first tournament to be played as a 24-team finals.

### Records of inactive countries

A number of UEFA associations have been affected by dissolution or splits of member associations. For statistical purposes, the records of these inactive countries have been allocated elsewhere: therefore, all Soviet Union matches are awarded to Russia; all West Germany – but not East Germany – matches are awarded to Germany; all Yugoslavia and Serbia & Montenegro matches are awarded to Serbia; all Czechoslovakia matches are allocated to both the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

### Abandoned/forfeited matches

For statistical purposes, when a match has been started and then abandoned but later forfeited, the result on the pitch at the time of abandonment is counted. Matches that never started and were either cancelled or forfeited are not included in the overall statistics.

## Competitions

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### Other abbreviations

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**(aet):** After extra time

**No.:** Number

**ag:** Match decided on away goals

**agg:** Aggregate

**AP:** Appearances

**Comp.:** Competition

**D:** Drawn

**DoB:** Date of birth

**ET:** Extra Time

**GA:** Goals against

**GF:** Goals for

**gg:** Match decided by golden goal

**L:** Lost

**Nat.:** Nationality

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**pens:** Penalties

**og:** Own goal

**P:** Penalty

**Pld:** Matches played

**Pos.:** Position

**Pts:** Points

**R:** Sent off (straight red card)

**Res.:** Result

**sg:** Match decided by silver goal

**t:** Match decided by toss of a coin

**W:** Won

**Y:** Booked

**Y/R:** Sent off (two yellow cards)

**N/A:** Not applicable